

## CONTROVERSY BETWEEN JAPAN AND UNITED STATES HAS BEEN SETTLED

### Rains in Northwest Cause Slides; Several Killed

#### MEN AND WOMEN KILLED; SLIDES OCCUR IN N. W.

Heaviest Rain in History Again Causes Rivers to Suddenly Rise.

#### EARTHSLIDES SWEEP DOWN, DESTROY HOMES

Railroad Service Is Again Demoralized and Wires Are Crippled.

SEATTLE, Dec. 12.—This afternoon the number injured in floods was announced to be the largest in the history of this city according to the municipal authorities. Unless the rain ceases great damage is expected throughout Western Washington.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 12.—The heaviest rain in the history of Seattle fell during the last three days, and has again sent the rivers into the flood stage and caused slides and raised havoc in Western Washington with heavy property damage.

Joseph Horan, of Medina, a suburb, was instantly killed last night when a slide demolished the home of Mrs. Samuel Andrews, killing her and her two children.

Nine firemen are searching for the body of Mrs. Andrews this afternoon which has been engulfed by a second slide.

Railroad service is demoralized and wire communications are interrupted.

YOUNG GIRL DROWNS. ELLENSBURG, Wash., Dec. 12.—Grace Shafer, aged 13 years, was drowned near here this afternoon in flood waters in the Yakima River.

TRAIN PLUNGES OFF BRIDGE. SEATTLE, Dec. 12.—Samuel Hillerman, mail clerk, and George Irvin, wireman, are believed to have been drowned when the Great Northern Railroad fast mail plunged through a bridge undermined by the high water in Miller Creek, 40 miles east of Everett, early yesterday morning.

John Carey, engineer, was rescued by A. J. Beach, King county game warden, who waded to him and towed him ashore.

The engine and five cars went into the river, one car remaining on the bridge.

FOUR KILLED—SLIDE. ABERDEEN, Wash., Dec. 12.—Two men, one woman and her baby were killed and two men injured, one probably fatally, as the result of slides which carried two logging trains down the hillside on the Clemons Logging Company's road near here.

#### Mexican Volcano Is on Rampage; Smoke and Ashes

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 12.—The volcano Popocatepetl is in a state of violent eruption, throwing columns of smoke and ashes 2,500 feet above the summit.

#### Dominion of Canada Official Takes Life

OTTAWA, Dec. 12.—R. E. Roberts, comptroller of the currency of the Dominion government, took his life last night by swallowing poison. No reason is known for the act.

#### America Is Eulogized by Former Philippine Rebel

MANILA, Dec. 12.—America was eulogized as having come to the Philippines "as a result of championing the cause of Liberty" in a speech here last night by Aguinaldo. The address was made at the banquet of the Philippine war veterans.

#### NEW MINISTER FROM GREECE ARRIVES.



His Excellency, Johannes Gennadius, photographed with his wife upon their arrival in this country aboard the S. S. Cedric. He is the Envoy Extraordinary and will act as the Minister Plenipotentiary of Greece to the United States.

### THROUGH RATE OF \$45 PER TON ON FREIGHT FROM SEATTLE TO ALASKA INTERIOR POINTS IS NOW PROPOSED

#### Jury in Roy Gardner Case Cannot Agree

PHOENIX, Ariz., Dec. 12.—The jury in the trial of Roy Gardner in the Federal Court, charged with robbing a mail car at Maricopa, Ariz., on November 3, was unable to reach a verdict and was discharged Sunday noon.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—Disclosure that the Guam-Yap cable has been sealed some time within the last three days by unknown persons were made in a statement today by Postal Telegraph Company officials.

**ONLY 12 MORE SHOPPING DAYS 'TIL CHRISTMAS**

#### Tariff Schedule Is Now Being Worked Out — Gerig Going to Seattle.

#### GOVERNMENT RAILROAD TO CUT LIVING COSTS

Two Trains Weekly Now Being Operated from Seward to Fairbanks.

A general freight rate of \$45 a ton, Seattle to Fairbanks, via the Government Railroad.

Living conditions in the interior to be reduced about 50 per cent.

Two mixed trains, passenger, freight, mail and express, are now leaving Seward twice a week over the Government Railroad for Fairbanks and two trains weekly are leaving Fairbanks for Seward.

Four days now being consumed by railroad trains in making trip to the interior and vice versa.

Interior citizens opposed to private operation of Government Railroad.

Better quality of coal being found in naval mines in the Matanuska fields.

The above are only a few of the many interesting points brought out yesterday by William Gerig, formerly assistant engineer in charge of the Government Railroad, now employed on tariff questions, who is aboard the Admiral Watson, which was in Juneau yesterday, on his way South for a couple of weeks and who will return to Seward about the middle of January to remain possibly until April 1.

Mr. Gerig is going to Little Rock, Arkansas, to spend Christmas with his family. He will return North soon after the first of the year and be in active charge of the Government Railroad during the absence of Colonel Frederick Mears, who will go to Washington on annual appropriation work.

Last Rail Laid

"The last rail was laid on the Government Railroad on the night of November 24," said Mr. Gerig yesterday.

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### SAYS DANGER OF BOLSHEVISM HAS NOW PASSED OVER

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—A survey of European conditions shows the danger of Bolshevism is past, according to Secretary of Commerce Herbert C. Hoover. This statement is made in his review of international trade conditions.

"The economic recovery is slow and difficult, but substantial progress is shown. The situation contains many dangers," says Hoover.

### BIG DRIVE TO RAISE MONEY FOR VETERANS

Funds for Disabled Vets Being Sought—To Sell Forget-Me-Nots.

CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 12.—A drive to raise \$250,000 for disabled veterans of the World War is planned for December 17 throughout the United States by the disabled American Veterans of the World War, whose national headquarters are here.

Robert S. Marx, judge of the Superior Court of this city, national commander, says the forget-me-not flower will symbolize the plea of the Disabled Veterans, women's clubs and auxiliaries of the disabled veterans' organizations will make the forget-me-nots which will be sold.

Governors and mayors will be asked to issue proclamations calling attention to the drive and the cooperation of the various chambers of commerce will be asked. Sealed receptacles for the convenience of passers-by will be established.

The national organization in announcing its plans for the drive said: "There are 100,000 veterans altogether and they need \$250,000 to aid their members who are out of employment and in urgent need of help. One-half of the sum given each chapter will be diverted to the chapter and the other half to the national organization. Each chapter will have a bank as its treasurer. The aid of women's clubs and auxiliaries of the Disabled Veterans' organizations will be enlisted.

"A great many organizations are trying to help the disabled men. They are doing good, much good, but they can't know of all the need that we see. They simply can't get as close to the men."

Irish Freedom Friends

#### Attacks on Peace Treaty

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Seventeen hundred delegates to the convention of "Friends of Irish Freedom" cheered attacks on Great Britain and the proposed Anglo-Irish peace terms here Saturday night.

Supreme Court Justice D. O. Conahan said the Irish in America will never be satisfied until Ireland is granted a government "with the same institutions and the same freedom as America has."

#### George Black Is Elected By 44 Votes

SPECIAL TO THE EMPIRE. WHITEHORSE, Y. T., Dec. 12.—George Black, Conservative candidate from the Yukon for the Parliament at Ottawa, has been elected by a small majority over Frederick L. Congdon, Liberal. Mayo, Yukon's new silver camp, was the deciding factor. Black has carried the election by 44 votes.

#### MILLIONAIRE AND NURSE BRIDE SAIL FOR EUROPE ON HONEYMOON.



Herbert M. Harriman, New York millionaire, and his bride, the former Miss Sally Hunter, of New York, photographed before sailing to spend their honeymoon in Europe. Mrs. Harriman, the daughter of poor parents, is a trained nurse. Their wedding at French Lick Springs October 25 caused somewhat of a sensation in Eastern social circles. Mr. Harriman is a son of the late Oliver Harriman.

### IN SHADOW OF DEATH, CONVICT BREAKS PRISON

Chicago's "Two Gun Man" Makes Sensational Escape — Two Others Free.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 12.—Tommy O'Connor, "two-gun-man," sentenced to be hanged here next Thursday for the murder of a policeman, escaped with two other notorious criminals from the Cook county jail early yesterday morning. The convicted criminals fought their way past half a dozen guards, most of whom were beaten into unconsciousness.

#### MICHIGAN PRISON RIOT

MARQUETTE, Mich., Dec. 12.—A riot among prisoners at the branch of the state reformatory here last night during a moving picture exhibition, was quelled after Warden T. B. Catlin received nine knife wounds, Deputy Warden Manhennit was badly beaten and the latter son, Arthur, was stabbed in the right lung.

#### Miners Prevented from Going to Work by Women

PITTSBURGH, Kan., Dec. 12.—A mob of 2,000 women, wives and relatives of striking miners, stormed the Jackson Walker mine and prevented the miners employed there from returning to work this morning.

#### Four Bandits Rob Bank And Escape with \$25,000

GREENVILLE, Ill., Dec. 12.—Four bandits this afternoon robbed the Bank of Panama, near here, wounded a motorist and escaped with between \$25,000 and \$30,000.

#### Last Surviving Bearer of Lincoln's Body Passes On

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 12.—Charles B. Hart, said to be the last surviving pallbearer at the funeral of Abraham Lincoln, died here yesterday afternoon.

### ISLAND TREATY ON PACIFIC IS FINALLY MADE

Points at Controversy Between United States and Japan Are Settled.

#### PACT IS APPROVED BY GOVERNMENTS; CLAIM

Naval Ratio Matters to Come Before Arms Conference — Japan Holds Off.

BULLETIN—WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The Four Power Pacific Treaty will be signed at the State Department, probably today, by representatives of the nations interested, Japan, Great Britain, France and the United States. This was the announcement made late this afternoon.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Charles E. Hughes, Secretary of State, and chairman of the arms conference, told the Far Eastern Committee today that the controversy between the United States and Japan had been settled.

The agreement is in the form of a treaty which includes all islands over which Japan has a mandate, in addition to the Island of Yap.

The pact has been approved by the Government heads and it is understood it gives the United States certain definite rights as to Yap, including the cable rights.

#### Text of Treaty.

The text of the proposed treaty between the United States and Japan concerning mandated islands in the Pacific, was given out late this afternoon.

The treaty prohibits fortifications on the Island of Yap and gives Japan the right to maintain order there.

Under the treaty the United States recognizes Japan's mandate over the German islands north of the equator.

No licensing will be required of American firms desiring to construct either cable or radio facilities on the Island of Yap. The treaty provides, however, that as long as Japan maintains an efficient radio station on the island with unrestricted communication, the United States will not exercise the right to construct a station.

#### To Withdraw Post Offices.

Japan, through the arms conference delegation has announced willingness to withdraw the Japanese post offices from China in January, 1923.

#### Naval Ratio Issue.

Instructions from Tokyo regarding the decision of Japan on the naval ratio question are in the hands of the Japanese delegation.

The nature of the communication was not made public Sunday but it was indicated that further meetings of the big three powers will probably be necessary before Japan's stand on the "5-5-3" capital ship ratio will be announced definitely.

#### TROOPS FOR SIBERIA.

TOKIO, Dec. 12.—Japan is replacing troops in the maritime provinces of Siberia with fresh contingents, the action said to be the result of the recent developments.

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### PACKING HOUSE EMPLOYEE TAKEN OUT AND HANGED

Negro Taken from Hospital in Texas by Thirty Masked Men — Lynched.

FORT WORTH, Tex., Dec. 12.—Fred Rouse, a negro packing house employee, who was beaten by a crowd of strikebreakers here last week after he had shot and wounded "two brothers" in the ranks of pickets, was taken from a hospital last night and lynched by a crowd of 30 masked men.

#### 2,000 QUIT JOBS

NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Two thousand slaughter house employees, members of the Amalgamated Meat Cutters & Butchers, struck this morning, leaving scores of wagon loads of perishable beef in front of the various plants of the company.

#### One Bank Robber Killed; One Wounded; One Escapes

MIAMI, Okla., Dec. 12.—One bandit was killed, another wounded probably fatally and a third escaped following the robbery of the Ardlin State Bank of Tar River, Oklahoma, late Saturday afternoon. Five thousand in cash was taken and the escaped bandit has this.

### Evangelist Scores Women Also Talks About Hell

MARION, Ohio, Dec. 12.—Marion society was stirred over an attack last night on present-day fashions by Harry James, evangelist, former Columbus Theater owner, now conducting a revival here. "Women will go to church with scarcely enough on in winter to cover their nakedness and in summer with furs up to their ears, and try to make people believe they have real religion," said Mr. James. "You cannot give card parties, attend dances and do other like things during the week and then heartily greet God Sunday morning and bid Him good night at the close of the day, go out and perhaps never give a thought to Him during the remainder of the week. Hell will be full of such people."